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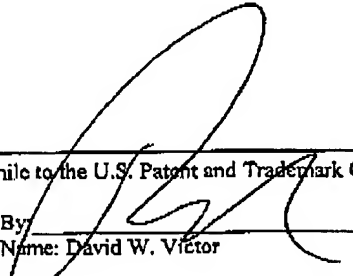
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance dated May 4, 2005, in which the Examiner allowed claims 1-33 in the above-identified application as filed.

In the statement of reasons for allowance the Examiner provided various reasons for allowance. Applicants note that the claims are directed to various combinations of features. It is respectfully submitted that the patentability of each of the allowed and allowable claims resides in every feature of the recited combination of features of the claims in addition to the features noted by the Examiner.

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